TRANSFER OF LAND.

8° Elizabeth II., No. IX.

No. 9 of 1959.

AN ACT to amend the Transfer of Land Act, 1893-1954.

[Assented to 25th September, 1959.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of Western Australia, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title and citation.

Vol. 5 Reprinted Acts. Authorised for reprint 29th March, 1951. Cf. s. 5, No. 73/1954. 1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Transfer of Land Act Amendment Act, 1959.

(2) In this Act the Transfer of Land Act, 1893-1954, is referred to as the principal Act.

(3) The principal Act as amended by this Act may be cited as the Transfer of Land Act, 1893-1959.

2. Section one hundred and eighty-eight of the s. 188 amended. principal Act is amended by adding a paragraph as follows----

(iv) He may, notwithstanding any other pro- To destroy documents. vision of this Act with the approval of the Minister, destroy any record, document, instrument, plan, diagram, book or paper or any other paper writing whether of the same kind as those before enumerated or not, that is deposited with or registered at the Office of Titles the retention of which, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Titles and the Registrar, serves no useful purpose.

3. Section two hundred and thirty-nine of the s. 239 amended. principal Act is amended—

- (a) by adding after the section number, "239" the figure, "1" in brackets thus—(1);
- (b) by adding after the word, "copy" in line ten, the passage, ", a photographic copy or photostatic copy";
- (c) by adding after the word, "copy" in line thirteen, the passage, ", photographic copy or photostatic copy"; and
- (d) by adding a subsection as follows—

(2) (a) Where a person requires to inspect the Register Book as provided in subsection (1) of this section, if the Register Book is not readily available, the Registrar may produce to that person instead of the Register Book a print, whether enlarged or not, made from a photographic film taken by an officer of the Office of Titles of that part of the Register Book which the person requires to inspect.

(b) In this section the expression, "photographic film" includes any photographic plate, micro photographic film or photostatic negative.